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## Milk Production

**Iowa:** Milk production in Iowa in November totaled 303 million pounds, down 1 percent from November 2004. The average number of milk cows, 187,000 head, was 3,000 head below November 2004. Production per cow averaged 1,620 pounds, up 10 pounds from production levels one year ago.

decrease of 17 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,590 pounds for November, 59 pounds above November 2004.

**United States:** Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 4.6 percent from November 2004. October revised production, at 13.3 billion pounds, was up 4.0 percent from October 2004. The October revision represented a

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.16 million head, 60,000 head more than November 2004, and 2,000 head more than October 2005.

**Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, November 2004-2005**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	1,741	1,770	1,700	1,725	2,960	3,053	3.1
IL	106	104	1,450	1,480	154	154	
<b>IA</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
MN	460	450	1,390	1,445	639	650	1.7
MO	120	114	1,215	1,230	146	140	-4.1
WI	1,237	1,238	1,415	1,485	1,750	1,838	5.0
23-State Total <sup>3</sup>	8,102	8,162	1,531	1,590	12,404	12,975	4.6

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> The 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

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